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20 February 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: STC/SPB

FROM : C/SR/FI/DOB

SUBJECT: Janis Ozols

1. Reference paragraph 3 of attached Memorandum, dated 20 February 1953, the following information has been received from field traces and is furnished herewith for your information and consideration:

a. Information received from [] indicates that a (FNU) OZOLS lived in Riga and was trained in radio in Elfa. This information was received from a report entitled "Abwehr Operations on the Eastern Front, 1940-43" which refers to a group of double agent operations from Latvia in February 1942. This group consisted of Latvians, who previously had been trained as Soviet agents.

b. Further information has been received from the Berlin Document Center on 16 February 1953 concerning subject:

(1) Subject was born in Wenden (Cesis), Latvia on 29 October 1910 and is listed as a teacher. Subject was arrested for political reasons and dismissed from his position as a teacher in 1934. He served in the Latvian Army from 1 October 1934 to September 1935.

(2) Subject is listed as serving with the Waffen SS from 6 March 1942 to 19 April 1942 and again from 17 May 1943 to an unspecified date. He was promoted to Waffen SS Untersturmfuehrer on 11 December 1944. Until 19 April 1942, subject served with the 19th Lettland SS Schutzmannschafts Battalion. In 1944 he was attached to the 11th SS Freiw. Gren. Rgt. 40 and SS Junkerschule Toelz.

(3) Prior to 1942, subject worked for the Sicherheitsdienst; this period of employment is listed as July to October 1941.

(4) Subject is also listed as being a member of the Latvian "National Bewegung" Party.

(5) Further information on subject is being pouched from Berlin and will be made available to your office upon receipt.

c. A trace of Berlin station files proved negative.

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